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Minutes of the meeting of the Public Safety Committee.

Sawyer County Board of Supervisors

August 6, 2020; 8:30 a.m.; Assembly Room; Sawyer County Courthouse

Members present: Helen Dennis, Ron Buckholtz, James Schlender, Dale Schleeter, Chuck Van Etten-Virtual

Others present: Carol Williamson, Tom Hoff, Pat Sanchez, Jeff Johnson, Doug Mrotek, Greg Ripczinski, Marge Kelsey, Mike Coleson, John Yackel, Sandy Okamoto, John Froemel, Terrell Boetcher, Linda Zillmer, Tish Keanhna

Chair James Schlender called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.

Motion by Buckholtz, 2nd by Dennis to approve the minutes of the July 2, 2020 meeting. Motion carried

Chair Schlender presented a Proclamation honoring the life of Richard Charles Welsch. Motion to table to the September Public Safety Committee meeting. Motion carried

Judge Yackel reported to the Committee. Have not held a jury trial under the new social distancing and masking order.

Clerk of Court Marge Kelsey attended virtually

Child Support Director Sandy Okamoto reported to the Committee. The Sheriff's Department is taking on DNA testing while under COVID restrictions. Maintenance did a good job with remodeling; don't notice the reduced space. Payer using drop boxes for support payments. Working remotely is working for Child Support staff.

Lieutenant Greg Ripczinski provided the patrol report. 1178 calls in July.

Jail Administrator Jeff Johnson provided a jail report. July 2020 average daily population was 87.92 inmates; 18.20 females and 69.72 males. 10 inmates on electronic monitoring as of August 5, 2020.

Sheriff Mrotek presented the Chief Deputy's report and Dispatch report. There have been seven traffic fatalities in Sawyer County in 2020. Budget submitted to County Administrator Hoff and Accounting Manager Keefe. Budget includes an increase in contracted medical services.

Administrator Hoff informed the Committee the Wisconsin Counties Association workgroup is working on a Public Health Enforcement Ordinance. This was originally on the agenda as a place holder. This will be on the September Public Safety agenda or possibly the August County Board agenda.

Animal Control Officer Sherrie Shelton provided a written report to the Committee.

Coroner John Froemel provided a written report and reported to the Committee.

Emergency Management Director Pat Sanchez presented a written report. 2-3 LTE positions approved from the state to staff the UV Decon trailer.

Communication Specialist John Kruk provided a written report.

The Criminal Justice Coordinating Council has not set date to meet in August. Agenda will include two open citizen positions and Justice Point proposal for services they can provide verses a Sawyer County employee.

Ambulance Director Nate Dunston provided a written report to the Committee. Committee discussed EMS services to neighboring communities. This will be on the September agenda.

Administrator Hoff provided info on the 2021 budget. Net New construction will allow an increase of around \$90,000 in the 2021 budget levy. The County will issue debt for capital items. Public Safety will need to discuss the level of service they want to provide through law enforcement and emergency medical services.

Adjourned 9:26 am

Minutes prepared by Carol Williamson